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**To our Navy teammates:
Welcome aboard!**

News in Brief

SSS, ISS selects students

The following people were selected for senior service school: Lt. Col. Andy Cernicky, 394th Combat Training Squadron commander, will attend the Army War College. Lt. Cols. Gavin Ketchen, 393rd Bomb Squadron commander, Brian O'Rear, 509th Operations Support Squadron commander, will attend the Air War College. Maj. Kevin Raybine, 394th CTS, and Jason Armagost, 509th OSS, will go to the Air Force Academy, and Ed Martignetti, 509th OSS, will attend the Air Command and Staff College.

Thanksgiving food basket program set

Donate non-perishable food items to Whiteman families in need through Nov. 21 at the commissary. The items needed are: Potatoes, stuffing mix, canned vegetables, cranberry sauce and dessert items. For more details, call 2nd Lt. John Garvey at 687-3124 or Master Sgt. Eric Witt at 687-6047.

Public Affairs schedules closure

The 509th Bomb Public Affairs office closes at noon today for an office event. In case of an emergency, call the command post at 687-3778.



**62 days
until
the 10th
Anniversary
Celebration**



Photo by Master Sgt. Mike Nixon

Navy Cmdr. Gregory Heruth, Joint Fires Network Unit One commander, Cmdr. Philip Old, Mobile Inshore Undersea Unit 114 commander, and Congressman Ike Skelton of Missouri's 4th District cut the ribbon during the opening ceremony of the Naval Reserve Facility Sunday.

Navy opens new facility

MIUWU-114 moves into permanent home, new unit activates

By Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Public Affairs

Congressman Ike Skelton of Missouri's 4th District, the vice chief of Naval operations and a host of senior Navy officials opened the Naval Reserve facility here Sunday and activated the service's first two Joint Fires Network Units.

Navy Adm. Michael Mullen, vice chief of Naval Operations, and Navy Rear Adms. Stanton Thompson, Stephen Oswald, David Anderson and Craig McDonald, and Col. Ned Schoeck, 509th Bomb Wing vice commander, joined the historic event.

The new 18,400-square-foot facility, located at the corner of Vandenburg Avenue and 11th Street, will house both the new Joint Fires Network Unit One and the Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Unit 114. It has a classroom, administrative space, an electronic and general maintenance shop and a secure compartmented information facility. The \$4.1 million project began construction July 24, 2002.

"We have more space to allow adequate training of unit members," said Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Scott Young, MIUWU-114 active-duty NCO in charge. "We have better training resources. We no longer have to leave the building to perform duties; all our work is done here."

The seven active-duty members and 95 reservists of MIUWU-114 have operated out of temporary facilities since arriving here in January 2001. The unit provides protection of high-value assets and anti-terrorism force protection of sea ports and harbors. It's a deployable organization that provides force protection and anti-terrorism support for Marine Corps, Navy and Army vessels by using mobile surveillance and tactical communications equipment. MIUWU-114 supported operations in Kuwait during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

JFNU-1 and 2 provide intelligence and cryptologic products using the Joint Fires Tactical Network Exploitation System. The system features imagery exploitation tools, analysis tools, and cross intelligence applications. The unit is tasked with making creative ways of supporting Homeland Defense and security for U.S. Northern Command. JFNU-2, also activated here Sunday, will be based in Pascagoula, Miss.

Navy Vice Adm. John Cotton, director of the Naval Reserve, believes that JFNU's presence will strengthen the U.S. military's capabilities.

"I think the lessons from the recent conflict in Afghanistan and Iraq tell us that there's a joint solution for any conflict," Cotton said. "We have strengths in every service, but together we're stronger because of those links."

Navy Cmdr. Philip Old, MIUWU-114 commander, said the training his unit members receive will be invaluable.

"The applications these folks will be learning and using are applicable in the Army, Air Force and Coast Guard," said Old. "In the future, we envision other agencies being tied into this as well."

MIUWU-114 is the first line of defense for fleets at inshore locations. The unit was previously housed in the alert facility at the north end of the flight line.

Old said MIUWU-114's presence at Whiteman will compliment the missions of Whiteman's other service branches.

"We can reinforce each other's unique abilities," Old said. "The Joint Fires Network Units will provide intelligence from a national level to a local level, which the Air Force will be able to use when they put bombs on enemy targets. At the same time, the MIUWU-114 will provide force security, force protection, anti-terrorist security to allow the Joint Fires Network Units to operate safely while letting their mission compliment the Air Force mission."

Skelton thanked Whiteman, the local communities and the sailors present at the ceremony for their continued support of the base and its diverse missions.

"There are moments in public life that are truly magical moments and this is one of them," Skelton said.

Commander's Corner

AADD spells teamwork. There's a silent team that does miraculous things for our people. I would like to just say thank you! They measure their success in the number of airmen, regardless of rank, who freely call and ask for a ride home — when the stakes are too high to get caught driving under the influence. I firmly believe they're the ones who keep our mission intact by helping others make the right choice.



The team? AADD — Airmen Against Drunk Driving — they're there for you. I would like to personally thank Airman Steven Russell, 509th MXS, Airmen 1st Class Valerie Deverney, 72nd TES, and Morrel Muller, 509th CS, Staff Sgts. Jennifer Diaz, 509th OSS, and Loren Cheney, 509th MXG, Tech. Sgt. Robert Sheppard, 509th CES, SMSgt Dennis Stuart, 509th LRS, and other AADD members for taking care of the 932 people who got home safely because of you.

SENIOR/INTERMEDIATE DEVELOPMENT SELECTEES. This week, the Air Force selected six officers to attend future senior and intermediate development courses.

Congratulations goes out to Lt. Col. Andy Cernicky, 394th CTS/CC, who will attend Army War College this summer. Also kudos to Lt. Col. Gavin Ketchen, 393th BS/CC, and Brian O'Rear, 509 OSS/CC, on their selection to Air War College. Finally, Maj. Kevin Raybine, 394th CTS, and Jason Armagost, 509th OSS, will go to the Air Force Academy and Ed Martignetti, 509 OSS, will attend Air Command and Staff College. Way to go!

CFC is on a roll. To date, 509ers have raised nearly \$94,000 during our annual CFC campaign. We've got two weeks to go — a final push should bump us to our goal of \$100,000! Remember that your contribution represents a greater community effort to reach out and help those who have made the difference for us.

Fight's On! The 393rd Bomb Squadron (Expeditionary) leaves today for a two-week trip to Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., where they will participate in Red Flag. Red Flag is an awesome opportunity to learn about other major weapon systems, as well as to showcase your own airplane and talents. The entire team from maintenance to intelligence will demonstrate the force-multiplication the B-2 brings to the fight.

Service Before Self — Nearly 200 people participated in the recent Red Cross blood drive. Twenty-six first-time donors



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Staff Sgt. Jennifer Diaz, 509th Operations Support Squadron Airmen Against Drunk Driving member, calls a driver to pick someone up.

showed up, and more than 150 units of blood were taken. Since July, Whiteman has donated more than 300 units! January is the next blood drive — orange juice and free t-shirts for everyone who shows up!

The 715th Returns — Next week, the 509th Bomb Wing will witness the return of a famed unit ... the 715th! The 715th Weapon Squadron will stand up Tuesday as

a newly formed outfit to train our best pilots in weapons and tactics.

Additionally, Lt. Col. Scott Young will assume command of the 715th WS as it forms up under the command of the 53rd Wing at Nellis AFB. This is a huge leap in the B-2's combat capability and maturation. Congratulations to our current and future "target arms!"

MUNS upgrades capabilities to support 509th BW's mission

Maj. Dave Hadden

509th Munitions Squadron Commander

After being in command of the 509th Munitions Squadron for more than a year now, I reflect back to my change-of-command speech. I wanted to gauge if we were on track with some of the comments I made.

My speech centered on this paragraph: "The previous commander has done a remarkable job in standing up this new squadron and marching it in the right direction. However, this is where we go from standing up to running at a full sprint."

"You see, our chief of staff, General Jumper, is putting us through a transformation course. On the surface we see a new wing structure coming. But what lies deep in this transformation is an effort to operate this great Air Force in smarter ways. Under General Jumper and this wing's leadership, changes will occur — they'll happen fast and weapons will not be an exception.

"Weapons will change fast through the pipeline and the warriors of the 509th MUNS will adapt quickly to the development of these new systems. We will continue to chart the future of air-delivered weapons for the most capable bomber in the world."

I wouldn't have imagined changes would have occurred this fast. First, nearly \$13 million worth of weapons storage area construction projects were completed. The squadron accepted several new buildings that include a new administration facility, conventional maintenance bomb building facility, weapons staging area and five new storage structures.

The administration facility houses the commander's sup-



Photo by Master Sgt. Mike Nixon

Staff Sgt. Justin Hamilton, 509th Munitions Squadron, torques the strake assembly after installation. The strake assembly helps guide the bomb.

port staff, munitions control, operations and supervision. It also removes 55 people from a hazardous explosive area. The new conventional maintenance facility moves the ammo bomb builders outside of the current weapon storage area. It also allows the unit to build up to 60,000 pounds of net explosive weight at one time vs. the previous 2,000-pound limit. The staging area, also located outside the WSA,

increases our holding area from a little more than one B-2 aircraft load of munitions to seven. The five new igloos give us the capability to store the Air Force's most modern weapons while increasing our total storage capability by 44 percent.

Second, weapons have changed quickly through the pipeline. The unit transferred the old Joint Stand-off Weapons back to the depot and assumed the Air Force's most modern version. The JSOW is a low-observable air-to-ground glide weapon. It's designed to attack stationary and moving massed light-armored and armored vehicle columns.

We're also the first unit to beddown the Joint Air-to-Surface Stand-off Missile, a precision cruise missile designed to kill fixed and relocatable targets at ranges beyond enemy air defenses. Additionally, we're due to receive two new weapon systems: the enhanced GBU-28 and the 500-pound Joint Direct Attack Munition.

The EGBU-28 is a 5,000-pound special weapon developed for penetrating hardened command center targets located deep underground. It will eventually replace the Whiteman-unique GBU-37 weapon system. The B-2 will be able to carry 80 small JDAMs vs. 16 of the current JDAM versions.

In retrospect, changes have occurred quickly and our weapon systems haven't been an exception, rather it's been the exception — new weapons were sent to us. The remnants of the old Inter-Continental Ballistic Missile WSAs are gone. In place is a new-age WSA capable of meeting any tasking that may come down. However, our changes are not complete. Within the near future, the WSA will continue to expand and meet the demands of new weapons and facilities to advance the B-2's capabilities.

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For more information, call the *Whiteman Spirit* office at 687-6133, fax us at 687-7948, e-mail: whiteman.spirit@whiteman.af.mil or write to us at:

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Photo by Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Staff Sgt. Mary Moten, 509th Bomb Wing paralegal, uses the virtual military personnel flight Web site to view her personal records.

Airmen can now review personal records online

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE (AFPN) — The Air Force has started a new program allowing airmen to complete record reviews online through virtual military personnel flight.

Airmen will soon begin receiving e-mail notifications around their birthday each year advising them to review their electronic personnel records maintained in the military personnel data system.

"After the customer logs in to vMPF and accomplishes his or her record review, a hard copy should be printed for the member's personal records," said Master Sgt Don Taylor, superintendent of

customer support operations at the Air Force Personnel Center here. "If all of the information is correct, no further action is required until the next annual review."

In some areas where airmen errors may find, they can make the needed changes through the links provided. They should make the corrections as soon as they discover them, said Taylor.

Other errors not yet updateable online can be corrected by the airman's MPF or commander's support staff.

For more information, contact your servicing CSS or the MPF at 687-6426.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Give a little

Judith Enyart, American Red Cross donor services technician, prepares to draw Senior Airman Kelly Johnson's, 509th Medical Support Squadron, blood. The American Red Cross from Columbia, Mo., held a blood drive Oct. 9-10 at the fitness center, collecting 150 units of blood from 198 people. Twenty-six of those people gave blood for the first time.

Air Force climate survey continues

The annual Air Force Climate Survey ends Nov. 23. The wing's goal is to have 85 percent participation. Last year, the wing had 79 percent participation.

The Air Force Climate Survey is a method for people to anonymously provide honest information and feedback on important factors that impact the day-to-day environment. With this information, leaders are able to pinpoint areas that need improvement and then take action.

For more information, call your unit's Air Force Climate Survey representative.

The Whiteman AF Climate Survey points of contacts are:

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1st Lt. Russell Massey, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron,
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Staff Sgt. Kiilani Keeter, 509th Mission Support Squadron,
Tech. Sgt. Robert Goeke, 509th Contracting Squadron,

Master Sgt. Tommy Martin, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron,

2nd Lt. Rosanna Wadkins, 509th Services Squadron,

Capt. Peter Soto, 509th Maintenance Group and 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron,

1st Lt. Ryan Baker, 509th Maintenance Squadron,

1st Lt. Jennifer Fox, 509th Munitions Squadron,

2nd Lt. Ross Hustings, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron,

2nd Lt. Mary Thigpen, 509th Operations Group,

2nd Lt. Jason Aeschliman, 509th Operations Support Squadron,

Staff Sgt. Tamiki Jacobs, 394th Combat Training Squadron,

2nd Lt. Matthew Cooper, 325th Bomb Squadron,

2nd Lt. Beth Robinson, 393rd BS,

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2nd Lt. Leonardo Fajardo, 72nd Test and Evaluation Squadron,

2nd Lt. David Hunter, Detachment 12, Air Combat Command Training Support Squadron

Staff Sgt. Marlana Davis, Detachment 5, 29th Training Systems Squadron.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Dennis Sierra, Chenega Management environmental technician, uses an aerosol puncturing tool to remove hazardous liquid waste from a canister. The canister will then be recycled as scrap metal.

15 days until ESOHCAMP

(Editor's note: The 509th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Office is available to answer questions 509ers may have about the external Environmental Safety and Occupational Health Compliance Assessment Management Program Nov. 2-7. This week's topic is hazardous waste)

Hazardous Waste Accumulation Points verify:

- ✓ Training for hazardous waste managers and shop members is current and documented.
- ✓ "No smoking" signs are posted where flammable containers are stored.
- ✓ Containers are stored in a secured area with secondary containment provided.
- ✓ Container contents are identified.
- ✓ Containers are securely closed except when adding material.
- ✓ Universal waste — fluorescent and mercury bulbs — are in a container, labeled and recycled.

Officials set holiday mailing dates

By Staff Sgt. Todd Lopez
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The dates for mailing items to and from overseas locations in time for the holidays are fast approaching, and Military Postal Service Agency officials have suggestions for ensuring packages and letters arrive on time.

In fact, customers who mail early may save money and still have an on-time delivery, said Mark DeDomenic, chief of operations at the agency.

“As we get closer to Christmas, the mail volumes get higher, and therefore mail takes longer to be delivered,” he said.

The recommended mail deadlines for sending mail from the United States to overseas military mailing addressees for the holidays are:

- ✓ Parcel post: Nov. 13
- ✓ Space-available mail: Nov. 28
- ✓ Parcel-airlift mail: Dec. 4
- ✓ Priority and first-class letters or cards: Dec. 11

DeDomenic said these dates can also be observed by customers sending mail from overseas locations to the United States.

Customs forms are required on international mail, and shipments should be properly packaged before sending them overseas, DeDomenic said.

“Customers should always remember to ensure they package their parcels in strong boxes and use a lot of packing material,” DeDomenic said. “Popcorn or newspaper makes for great packaging material.”

He also suggested customers use a nylon-fiber reinforced tape to bundle up their packages.

“Keep in mind that packages going to military addresses overseas are handled many times and travel long distances. Therefore, strong boxes and good internal packing is important,” DeDomenic said.

While the United States has restrictions on mailing items such as poisons and weapons, other countries have their own restrictions for what can be mailed, DeDomenic said. Postal customers must



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Dickson, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, and Airman 1st Class Jared Pilant, 509th Security Forces Squadron, prepare to mail packages.

consider the length of the journey overseas and the final destination when considering what to send.

“I would advise customers to not mail perishable items and to ensure they do not mail things such as batteries, hazardous materials or weapons,” DeDomenic said. “Items such as coffee or tobacco are restricted to certain locations. If there is any doubt as to the mailability of particular items, customers should always check with their local post office.”

Because of security restrictions, mass-mailing operations such as Operation Dear Abby or the “Any Service Member” mailing program are not being supported by the agency, DeDomenic said.

Postal agency officials encourage service members to support the publicly available Web sites —<http://www.defendamerica.mil>, <http://www.anyservicemember.org> and <http://operations-dearabby.net> — that allow the American public to write supportive letters to them.

Officials caution against look-alike sites

ARLINGTON, Va. (AFPN) — Officials here caution the 2 million military and civilian users of myPay to use only the official Web site when accessing pay account information.

“Personal information is valuable and should be safeguarded,” said Claudia Bogard, director of corporate communications for the Defense Finance and Accounting Service. “Don’t provide your personal information to any Web site unless you know it can be trusted.”

Look-alike sites have recently frustrat-

ed myPay customers who have been confused by accidentally finding their way to a commercial site that is in no way affiliated with DFAS or the Department of Defense.

MyPay is a secure, DFAS-operated Web site that lets active-duty, National Guard and Reserve members, civilian employees, and military retirees and annuitants take charge of their pay accounts online. The DFAS myPay Web site at <https://mypay.dfas.mil>.

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Wing promotes 66 at monthly ceremony

The 509th Bomb Wing recognized 66 people at the promotion ceremony Oct. 1 at Mission’s End. They are:

Airmen Angel Booker, 509th Security Forces Squadron, **Joshua Brainard**, 509th SFS, **Darryl Donaldson**, 509th Medical Support Squadron, **Anna Franklin**, 509th Mission Support Squadron, **Heather Heimann**, 509th SFS, **Michael Knudsen**, 509th SFS, **Christopher Lane**, 509th SFS, **Christopher Levelle**, 509th Medical Operations Squadron, **Derik Sizemore**, 509th SFS, and **Lucious Williams**, 509th SFS.

Airmen 1st Class Derek Adams, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, **Lacey Bennett**, 509th Maintenance Squadron, **Jeffrey Clarke**, 509th Munitions Squadron, **Jermain Collins**, 509th Operations Support Squadron, **Robert Engle**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, **Bryan Harrison**, 509th SFS, **Latoya McCall**, 509th LRS, **Timothy Rea**, 509th SFS, **Jarrett Rodrick**, 509th

AMXS, **Cody Scott**, 509th MUNS, **James Steenburg**, 509th AMXS, **Thomas Tabalanza**, 509th AMXS, **Aaron Thornton**, 509th OSS, and **Joshua Williams**, 509th SFS.

Senior Airmen Neal Agent, 509th MXS, **Jacob Beck**, 509th Communications Squadron, **Robert Fiztke**, 509th MXS, **Clint Goodwin**, 509th MUNS, **Priscilla Harden**, 509th Mission Support Squadron, **Ronald Jacobs**, 509th MXS, **Lonnie Marks**, 509th AMXS, **Anthony Mejia**, 509th AMXS, **David Mendezpriego**, 509th MDSS, **David Ramos**, 509th LRS, **Matthew Ruffo**, 509th MUNS, **Keval Smith**, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, **Donnecha Stewart**, 509th MXS, **Melissia Wells**, 394th Combat Training Squadron, **Karen Wigger**, 509th LRS, **James Williams**, 509th LRS, and **Heath York**, 509th MUNS.

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Tech. Sgts. Brad Barnes, 509th CES, **Timothy Blair**, 509th SFS, **Bryon Curry**, 509th LRS, **Cheryl Evans**, 509th SVS, **Dwayne Ford**, 509th CS, **Gregory Lund**, 509th SFS, **Vincent Mariani**, Detachment 6, 372nd Training Squadron, **Samuel Miller**, 509th SFS, **Michael Mugler**, 509th SFS, **Matthew Normand**, 509th MDOS, and **David Wiss**, 393rd Bomb Squadron.

Master Sgts. Michael Pierce, 509th MXS, and **Randyl Royer**, 509th SVS.

Senior Master Sgt. Michael Montgomery, 509th AMXS.

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Whiteman Spirit Award



Betty Jones

509th Comptroller Squadron

Betty Jones, 509th Comptroller Squadron, received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Ned Schoeck, 509th Bomb Wing vice commander, Tuesday.

Special Agent Michael Reece, Detachment 207, Air Force Office of Special Investigations, nominated Jones for helping the detachment continue its mission through a difficult period.

“We lost our primary resource adviser to a deployment. Ms. Jones quickly took the initiative to train the new agent who assumed these duties,” said Reece. “She also taught the agent how to seek out and obtain unfunded requirements at the end of the fiscal year.”

She always spared a few moments of time to help the detachment with anything they needed. “The way she helped our detachment was above and beyond the call of normal duty,” he said.

Her devotion to duty and desire to help others is a definite indicator of the way she strives for excellence, said Reece. “She’s an outstanding credit to herself, her team, the 509th Bomb Wing and the Air Force.”

Personally Speaking

Duty title: Budget analyst

Time on station: 31 years

Time in service: 39 years, 10 months

Hometown: Hebbroville, Texas

Children: John, 31, and Melvin, 28

Hobbies: Reading and spending time with my grandchildren.

Goals: Retire and see some of our beautiful country.

Best thing about Whiteman: The people.

Pet peeves: No elevator on the south end of Bldg. 509.

What motivates your winning spirit?: Satisfaction in knowing that I helped someone.

If you could change one thing at Whiteman, what would it be? I would install an indoor swimming pool for year round use.

Submitting a Whiteman Spirit Award

Individuals are nominated from within their units or by customers impressed by the individual making Whiteman a better place to live and work by going far beyond his or her assigned duties to “make it happen.”

If you know someone who has the Whiteman Spirit, send the nomination to the 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 509, Suite 111, or e-mail whiteman.spirit@Whiteman.af.mil.



Did you know you can fill out a Department of Defense Form 2266, Hometown News Release, for a variety of accomplishments? For more details, call Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp at 687-6130.

Annual Combined Federal Campaign continues

The annual Combined Federal Campaign ends Oct. 31. The wing’s goal is to top \$100,000, which is an increase from last year’s goal of \$95,000. The total as of Monday is \$93,392.73.

CFC allows federal employees to donate to the charities of their choice without worrying about the organization’s legitimacy. CFC lists hundreds of charitable organizations ranging from the American Red Cross to the Young Men’s Christian Association of America.

For more information, call your unit’s CFC representative.

The Whiteman CFC points of contact are:
2nd Lt. Andrew Heo, 509th Mission Support Group,
2nd Lt. Nathan Hogan, 509th Communications Squadron,
2nd Lt. Allen Branco, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron,
Senior Master Sgt. Samuel Meta, 509th Security Forces Squadron,
Capt. Ray Madrid, 509th Services Squadron,
Capt. Daniel Hatchel, 509th Logistics Readiness



Squadron,
Staff Sgt. Michael Schmutz, 509th Mission Support Squadron,
Tech. Sgt. Robert Goeke, 509th Contracting Squadron,
Capt. Mark Swank, 509th Medical Group,
2nd Lt. Beth Robinson, 509th Operations Group,

2nd Lt. Matt Cooper, 325th Bomb Squadron,
2nd Lt. Scott Daggett, 393rd BS,
2nd Lt. James LaDuke, 394th Combat Training Squadron,
Senior Airman Dorian Settles and **Staff Sgt. Danielle Gresser**, 509th Operations Support Squadron,
1st Lt. David Ems, 509th Maintenance Group,
1st Lt. Ryan Baker, 509th Maintenance Squadron,
Tech. Sgt. Chad Meyer, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron,
Master Sgt. Ray Guest, 509th Munitions Squadron,
Capt. Pete Soto, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron,
Master Sgt. Cory Nicolson, 509th Bomb Wing staff,
Staff Sgt. Nichole Maniscalco, 509th Comptroller Squadron,
2nd Lt. Jason Hamilton, 72nd Test and Evaluation Squadron,
Capt. Robert Fritts, 442nd Fighter Wing, and
Army Staff Sgt. Houston Goodwin, Missouri Army National Guard.

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New simulator upgrades air traffic control training

By Tech. Sgt. Gerald Crowley and Staff Sgt. Adam Kilgore

509th Operations Support Squadron

The 509th Operations Support Squadron Air Traffic Control Section recently installed a state-of-the-art Tower Simulation System.

This realistic air traffic control tower simulation tool helps accelerate controllers training toward a 5- and 7-level certification, which is critical to the Air Force mission. Additionally, the system supports unit activity for refresher and re-qualification training, enabling individual and integrated tower crew to occur.

The integrated ATC tower training environment has four student positions — ground and local controller, flight data and coordinator. These positions are placed within a visual display system with a 270-degree horizontal field of view surrounding the student consoles. The student consoles provide the sensory cues and physical interfaces of the virtual tower environment. The TSS uses voice recognition technology to accurately replicate voice communications between the controller, simulated aircraft and ground vehicles using standard ATC commands.

In connection with voice recognition, the system also uses a visual display that provides a high-fidelity simulated view of the base as seen from the control tower. Using 3-D models of aircraft and ground

vehicles, the images move through and within the scene under computer control or student voice command. These models exhibit the performance characteristics of their specific aircraft and vehicle type. The result is a realistic air traffic control situation allowing students the ability to train under particular preset scenarios set up by the instructor. Instructors also have the ability to control the exercise operations and interact with the scenario as required without losing the real-time flow of events.

A real asset to the system's realism is its ability to reflect numerous types of environmental changes that ATC controllers may encounter. Changes such as day and night; wind direction and speed; and weather patterns and visibility, can be reflected into each scenario.

Whenever the weather or appropriate traffic conditions won't allow training, controllers can use the simulator to generate traffic situations. The simulated environment lets trainees make possibly fatal mistakes without consequences because every decision you make in live traffic is critical. The TSS will, in turn, accelerate training by as much as 30 to 40 percent.

"I think the TSS is a much better training tool than our past methods," said Senior Airman Amber Tillman, 509th OSS air traffic controller. "It's going to help more people become certified air traffic controllers."



Photo by Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Senior Airman Justin Martin and Airman 1st Class Julie Thomas, scan the arrival end of the simulated runway while performing a scenario on the new air traffic control tower simulation system. They're members of the 509th Operations Support Squadron.

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Spotlight on Justice

In September, 11 people received an Article 15, six people were discharged and three people were court martialed.

Articles 15

A senior airman from the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received an Article 15 for failure to obey a lawful order. The punishment was reduction to airman basic with suspended reduction to airman and suspended forfeiture of \$645 pay per month.

An airman first class from the 509th AMXS received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty. The punishment was reduction to airman basic, with suspended reduction to airman, restriction to the base for 30 days and 30 days extra duty.

An airman first class from the 509th AMXS received an Article 15 for assault and battery. The punishment was suspended reduction to airman, suspended forfeiture of \$100 pay per month for two months and 14 days extra duty.

An airman first class from the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron received an Article 15 for making a false official statement. The punishment was suspended reduction to airman, forfeiture of \$150 pay per month for two months and 45 days extra duty with 15 days suspended.

An airman first class from the 509th Munitions Squadron received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty and driving under the influence. The punishment was reduction to airman, suspended forfeiture of \$645 pay per month for two months and 15 days extra duty.

An airman first class from the 509th Maintenance Squadron received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty and signing a false official statement. The punishment was reduction to the grade of airman basic, restriction to the base for 30 days and 30 days extra duty.

An airman first class from the 509th Security Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty. The punishment was reduction to airman, suspended forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months, restriction to the base for 45 days and 30 days extra duty.

An airman from the 509th SFS received an Article 15 for sleeping on post. The punishment was reduction to airman basic and 30 days extra duty.

An airman first class from the 509th

SFS received an Article 15 for sleeping on post. The punishment was suspended reduction to airman, forfeiture of \$125 pay per month for two months, restriction to the base for 30 days and 30 days extra duty.

A senior airman from the 509th SFS received an Article 15 for drinking within eight hours of duty, and failure to go. The punishment was reduction to airman first class, suspended forfeiture of \$764 pay per month for two months and 45 days extra duty.

A staff sergeant from the 509th SFS received an Article 15 for driving under the influence. The punishment was reduction to senior airman, suspended forfeiture of \$874 pay per month for two months and 30 days extra duty.

Discharges

An airman from the 509th SFS received a general discharge for a pattern of misconduct.

An airman basic from the 509th Communications Squadron received a general discharge for a pattern of misconduct.

An airman basic from the 509th MXS received a general discharge for a pattern of misconduct.

A senior airman from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a general discharge for drug abuse.

An airman basic from the 509th SFS received a general discharge for a pattern of misconduct.

An airman first class from the 509th SFS received a general discharge for commission of a serious offense.

Courts martial

A senior airman from the 509th CS was court martialed for assault and battery. The person was sentenced to airman basic, 20 months confinement and a bad conduct discharge.

A senior airman from the 509th SFS was court martialed for dereliction of duty, and assault and battery. The person was sentenced to airman basic, five days confinement, and 30 days restriction to the base.

An airman first class from 509th SFS was court martialed for assault and battery. The person was sentenced to airman basic and 15 days confinement.

Command Post: A link to information, readiness



Command Post Controller Staff Sgt. Karen Foster, uses the Single Channel Anti-jam Mobile Terminal. The terminal is a satellite communications system used to establish communication with U.S. Strategic Command, headquarters Air Force and Air Combat Command. It's an electro-magnetic-hardened system that provides a communications link for combat taskings. The 509th Bomb Wing Command Post is an information center for the wing and coordinates on items ranging from weather advisories to emergencies.



Photos by Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Master Sgt. Steven Hargraves, 509th Bomb Wing command post controller, plugs wires into the Strategic Automated Command Control System. The SACCS is used to communicate encrypted message traffic. The command post here works as an information center for unit command posts that aren't open 24 hours a day. Command post controllers must be certified with the system. The command post has 18 certified controllers and two offices. One office is used for training and certification. The other handles formal reporting for systems, treaties, and Status of Resources and Training Systems.



Command Post Controller Airman 1st Class Andrea King, logs an event. The log is used to record daily events that involve the 509th Bomb Wing. It takes approximately 90 days to certify a new controller.



Command Post Director Lt. Col. Armand Izzo and team member Staff Sgt. Karen Foster work to resolve a situation. The 509th Bomb Wing members are using the ultra high frequency and high frequency radios to communicate with aircrew members. Members communicate messages through radio systems, land mobile radios, telephones, satellite systems and the giant voice system.



Airman 1st Class Sean Secich and Staff Sgt. Brian Hill review a checklist while coordinating with an aircrew over the Aircrew Alerting System. The 509th Bomb Wing members use the system to communicate with aircrews who are on alert duty.

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Spirit Spotlights

... on Airmen Against Drunk Driving dispatchers and drivers for Oct. 1-14, **Airman Steven Russell**, 509th Maintenance Squadron, **Airmen 1st Class Michael Tiangco**, 509th Communications Squadron, **Micah Jacobsen**, 509th CS, **Melissia Wells**, 394th Combat Training Squadron, **Morrel Muller**, 509th CS, **Michael Tangen**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, and **Valerie Deverney**, 72nd Test and Evaluation Squadron, **Senior Airmen Anbassa Small**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, **Gricelda Garcia**, Detachment 12, Air Combat Command Training Support Squadron, **Staff Sgts. Mario Burns**, 509th Security Forces Squadron, **Jennifer Diaz**, 509th Operations Support Squadron, and **Loren Cheney**, 509th Maintenance Group, **Tech. Sgt. Robert Sheppard**, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, and **Senior Master Sgt. Dennis Stuart**, 509th LRS.

... on **Airmen 1st Class Thomas Williamson**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, **Joseph Morgan**, 509th AMXS, **Sabrina Sullivan**, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron,

George Keen, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, **Hans Umhoefer**, 509th Medical Operations Squadron, **Staff Sgts. Brian Deweerd**, 509th AMXS, **Gloria Rapkin**, 509th MDOS, **Kevin Greensage**, 509th Services Squadron, and **Michael Fabsits**, 509th SVS, and **Tech. Sgt. Mauree Powell**, 509th MDOS, for earning a score above 90 percent on their career development course end of tests.

... on **Martin Orme**, **Kaitlynn Miller**, **Lucas Deberry**, **Megan Jackson**, **Cody Roop**, **Sydney Bierman**, **Trenten Wellman**, **Matthew Phillips**, **Ciaran Veal**, **Clayton Reinier**, **Adam Schliffke**, **Sheretta Willard**, **Madeline Kuhse**, **Mitchell Munson**, **Michael Phillips**, **Shelbie Deaton**, **Anthony Barufaldi**, **Nicholas Barylski**, **Brittany Klotz**, **Johnathan Smith**, **Ryan Schmick**, **Kaitlin Mugler**, **McKenzie Finchum**, **Cole Allen**, and **Adam Hargis** for being Whiteman Elementary School's September students of the month.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Picking up the pieces

Airman 1st Class Cecil Ingle, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, removes debris with a pickaxe in the Bldg. 509 parking lot to prepare the area for repavement.

Education

For more details, visit <https://wwwmil.whiteman.af.mil/509mss/educ/homepage.htm> or call 687-5750.

Scholarships to be awarded

The William Pitsenbarger Scholarship Award will be given to two Air Force enlisted members who are graduating with a Community College of the Air Force degree and plan to pursue a bachelor's degree. The submission deadline is today. Call for more details.

Community

Clinic offers awareness information

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the 509th Medical Group Diagnostic Imaging Department will display breast cancer risk factors information and breast cancer detection methods. The booth is open 8-9 a.m., 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays, and 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturdays in October at the fitness center.

Mentors needed

The family support center needs mentors for elementary, middle, and high school students. Volunteers must be available 3:15-4:15 p.m. weekdays and must attend monthly training. Supervisors and commanders may authorize airmen to become mentors when the airmen complete the mentor application. For more details, call Glenda Alexander at 687-7132.

ALS sets class 03-H events

- ✓ The airman leadership school class 03-H retreat ceremony begins at 4 p.m. Oct. 24 at the flagpole at Bldg. 509. Participants must be in place by 3:45 p.m.
- ✓ Reveille begins at 7:30 a.m. Oct. 31 at the ALS drill pad. Arrival time is 7:25 a.m.
- ✓ Graduation begins at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 30 at Mission's End. The speaker is Maj. Michael Busch, 509th Maintenance Squadron commander. The meal is London broil with roasted potatoes and vegetables. The cost is \$14.75 for members and \$16.75 for nonmembers. Attire is mess dress or semi-formal for military members, and coat and tie for civilians. Tickets are available from class 03-h members.

Playgroup schedules events

The Mom's, Pop's and Tot's play group meets 10 a.m.-noon Thursdays at the Missouri Army National Guard Armory. October events include:

- ✓ Crafts Oct. 23, and
- ✓ Fall parade and party Oct. 30

For more details, call Stephanie Zink at 687-4342.

AADD meetings set

Airmen Against Drunk Driving members meet at 1 p.m. Nov. 6 in the professional development center. For more details, call Senior Airman Kelly Johnson at 687-4800.

Legal services available

The 509th Bomb Wing Legal Office provides notary and power of attorney service 7:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. weekdays, no appointment is necessary. Will preparation and other legal assistance is available without appointment 8-

10 a.m. Mondays and Tuesdays, and 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call 687-6809.

Join a 4-H club

The Spirit 4-H club meets 1-3 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the youth center. For more details, call Deborah Kermick or Connie Morton at 687-5586.

Family Support

Call 687-7132 for details on these events or other family support center activities. Events take place at the FSC.

Halloween party set

Families of those deployed or serving a remote assignment are invited to a Halloween party 1-3 p.m. Saturday at the family support center. Reservations are required.

Pre-retirement briefing set

A transition assistance program for people retiring from the military begins at 9 a.m. Monday. The military personnel flight separations and retirements office schedules members for this briefing.

WIC representative visits base

A WIC representative is available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Thursday. WIC includes nutrition education, health promotion and a supplemental food program to help women, infants and children who have nutritional needs. For more details, call the WIC office in Warrensburg at 660-747-2012.

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B-2 bookworms

Members of Team Whiteman read to fifth-and-sixth grade children from La Monte Elementary School during a “Hats off to reading” literacy campaign. The tour group visited the B-2 and A-10 static displays on base, where airmen wearing different uniforms explained their Air Force job, how reading is important to it, then read to the group from various books.



The Spirit Gate marquee is available for messages. To schedule a message, call Senior Airman Kristeena Gonzalez at 687-6123 or e-mail 509bwpa@whiteman.af.mil. Be sure to include the date and time you want the message to be posted. Use these boxes to determine the length of your message on the screen (10 characters per line, one screen):

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Focus power

Bryan Huckabay, 394th Combat Training Squadron, and Richard Parry, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron, practice punches during a Tae Kwon Do classes Wednesday. David Shunk teaches the class at 11 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For more details, call the fitness center at 687-5496.

Sports shorts

Whiteman Day at MU set

The University of Missouri offers discount tickets to the Nov. 15 football game vs. Texas A&M.

Tickets are \$10 and include admission to a free pregame tailgate party for Whiteman members. It will be held at Hearn Fieldhouse next to the stadium on the MU campus in Columbia, Mo. To purchase tickets and to sign up for free transportation, see your first sergeant.

Coaches, officials needed

Volunteer to become a youth basketball coach or official for games at the youth center. National Youth Sports Coaches Association certification and training is provided. The season begins Nov. 13 and ends Feb. 28. For more details, call sports director Joann Milton at 687-3199.

Youth hunt and clinic set

A youth deer clinic begins at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 25 and a youth hunt takes place Nov. 2 at Powell Gardens, U.S. Highway 50 in Kingsville, Mo. Youth must: be ages 11-15, have hunter education certification, be accompanied by an adult, provide their own weapon and attend the clinic to hunt.

The registration deadline is today and the cost is \$15. For more details, call the Missouri Department of Conservation at 660-885-6981.

Gridiron Challenge

The Gridiron Challenge is a weekly competition between the 509th Bomb Wing headquarters and groups, and the 442nd Fighter Wing and Missouri Army National Guard.

A different person from each organization will select the picks for their unit each week.

The weekly winner receives a \$5 SeeMore Buck courtesy of the 509th Services Squadron. Last week's winner was Senior Airman Kevin Grant, 509th Medical Group.


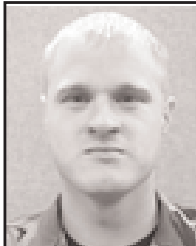





Week Seven

NCAA

Iowa at Ohio State
Michigan State at Minnesota
Purdue at Wisconsin
California at UCLA
Florida at Arkansas

NFL

Chiefs at Raiders
Broncos at Vikings
Titans at Panthers
Packers at Rams
Eagles at Giants

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Stars & Strikes **687-5114**

Breakfast at Stars & Strikes
Breakfast is served 7-9:30 a.m. weekdays and 8:30-9:30 a.m. Saturdays.

Community Center **687-5617**

Octoberfest
Celebrate Octoberfest 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Oct. 25 in Hermann, Mo. Listen to live entertainment, eat authentic German food or take a tour of a local winery. The \$5 fee includes transportation. Bring money for food and drinks.

Volunteers needed
Volunteers are needed to entertain and serve refreshments at the Missouri Veterans Home in Warrensburg 2-4 p.m. Nov. 7. Sign up by Nov. 3.

Private organization gift wrap drawing
Any organizations that would like to participate in this fundraiser, call 2nd Lt. Rosanna Wadkins at 687-5386, for details and get the organization's name into the drawing that is held on Oct. 22 at 3 p.m.

Teen Center **687-5819**

TEENS supreme meeting
The TEENS supreme Keystone Club meeting begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the teen center.

Mission's End **687-4422**

Comedy night
Enjoy the comic styles of Tim O'Rourke and Rob Busboom at 8 p.m. today at Mission's End. Door prices are \$20 for members and nonmembers. There will be karaoke 8 p.m.-midnight in the Lavene Lounge for members only.

ACC \$1 Breakfast
Members can have breakfast for \$1 Tuesday at Mission's End.

Concert at Mission's End

The Almost Nuts Band performs at Mission's End. There will be live music, comedy and much more. The cost is \$2 at the door for members only.



Oct. 22 8 p.m.-midnight
Oct. 23 7-11 p.m.
Oct. 24 8 p.m.-midnight
Oct. 25 8 p.m.-midnight

A children's show takes place 2-3 p.m. Oct. 25.

Call Mission's End for more information.

Halloween Boo Bash Carnival

5:30-7:30 p.m. Oct. 30
Free at the community center
Youths can play games and win prizes!
Refreshments provided.

Trick-or-Treat 4:30-6 p.m. at these locations:



Base exchange
Child development center
Family support center
Fitness center
Library
Mission's End
Ozark Inn

Skills development
Stars & Strikes
Teen center
UMB Bank
Youth center
Whiteman Inn
Whiteman Tickets & Travel

Family Child Care **687-5590/1180**

Extended duty child care
Register now for the free extended duty child care program. It is available to help parents meet child care needs for extra duty hours and child care emergencies. Care is provided in family child care homes to augment regular care arrangements.

Library **687-5614**

Base library book sale
Have boxes of books taking up space? Donate them at the library booksale. Do you like to work with people? Volunteer at the library booksale. Help raise money for library programs and supplies. The sale is Nov. 12 and times will be announced.

Youth Center **687-5586**

Pumpkin patch trip
School is out for the day. Children in kindergarten through seventh grades can take a trip to Carolyn's Country Cousin's Pumpkin Patch 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 24 in Liberty, Mo. The cost is \$8 for members and \$9.50 for nonmembers. A sack lunch will be provided. Sign up Monday through Oct. 21.

Dance classes
Dance classes are held at the community center Mondays and Wednesdays. Ballet, tap, jazz and acrobatics are available for pre-school children. Ballet, tap, jazz and hip-hop jazz are available for school-age children. Stretch and strengthening classes are available for teens and adults. The cost is \$25 for members and \$32 for nonmembers. Call for more information.

Basketball registration
Registration to play basketball takes place 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. through Monday. The cost is \$25 for members and \$32 for nonmembers. Current physical and shot records must be on file at the youth center for participation. Participants must be 5 years old. Sponsored in-part by First Command Financial Planning.*

Skills Development Center **687-5691**

Youth art contest
Artists ages 8-12 can enter art work at the skills development center through Oct. 29. Stop by the skills development center to pick up rules. Judging takes place Oct. 30. This is a free event.

Fitness Center **687-5496**

Fitness bingo
Participants can pick up a free bingo card at the fitness center through Dec. 31 for this quarterly incentive program. The participant who completes the most bingos during the quarter will win the first-place prize; a full body massage provided by Darlene Goebel, L.M.T., at Hair Dynamics.

Outdoor Recreation **687-5565**

Wall climbing class
Take a free wall climbing class 9-11 a.m. Oct. 25. This event is located in the outdoor recreation classroom with a 20-foot climbing wall. There is no sign-up deadline and walk-ins are welcome.

Whiteman Base Theater

Friday
Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star 7 p.m. PG-13

Starring — David Spade
Dickie Roberts is a 35-year old former child star. Now an out-of-work actor turned parking valet, Dickie is desperate to audition for a great role that could revitalize his career, but the part requires him to play a normal guy. Problem is, Dickie is anything but normal. He decides to hire a family to adopt him so he can relive his childhood and, in essence, grow up from scratch.

Saturday
Cabin Fever 7 p.m. R
Starring — Jordan Ladd, James DeBello & Rider Strong
College is over and five friends escape to a log cabin in the woods to enjoy some last days before entering the working world. Good times sour when a delirious stranger covered in bloody sores crashes their party. Shots are fired and the lunatic flees into the woods, but it's too late for the five friends. Soon one member of the circle gets ill and her skin deteriorates. Fear of contagion sets in and the companions turn on one another, realizing that any one of them could have it.

Sunday
My Boss's Daughter 5:30 p.m. PG-13
Starring — Ashton Kutcher & Tara Reid
It's the chance of a lifetime for a guy trying to win over his dream girl when his boss (her father) asks him to house-sit. However, things don't go exactly as planned when one houseguest after another keeps interrupting his time with her.

Adults \$3 Youth \$1.50
Movie recording line 687-5110.
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<http://www.aafes.com/ems/conus/whiteman.htm>.